

Westview Baptist Church

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“people learning to live Jesus’ way”

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Our purpose is to bring glory to God. We will do this as we:

1. are transformed by enjoying Christ;
 2. love by serving others; and
 3. proclaim Jesus by faithfully living in a fallen world
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Transformed by Enjoying Christ

Teaching Sessions

Today we will focus on 5:16-26 where Paul shows us what a life led by the sinful nature looks like and what a life led by the Spirit looks like. In a world with constant temptation and with an old sinful nature that loves to raise its defeated head we will reflect on what a gift those who belong to Christ Jesus have been given in the leading power of the Spirit of God in their lives. Next week we will be looking at Gal 6.

Love and Service

Family News and Prayers

Community prayer night is generally on the 4th Sunday of the month which is TONIGHT!!!

Advanced notice for Christmas service which will be held at 9.30am Christmas day.



Keep Matt and Becky in your prayers. There is the distance from family during the Christmas period. Matt has not spent Christmas with his family for 5 years. There is also the burden of the climate in Arnhem Land and the normal concerns for a couple expecting their first child. Matt has had a few good weeks with his health working 3 days per week. Pray that this might continue.

Living Faithfully in Our World

St John's Anglican Doonside

Next Saturday week (7th Dec) Alex Purnomo will be celebrating his admission to the Order of Presbyters and his induction as Rector of the parish by Bishop Ivan Lee, Bishop for Western Sydney. Although the offices in the Anglican denomination may be a little foreign to us, Alex is a godly man who has a wonderful love of God. Keep Alex in your prayers as he seeks to serve and minister in Doonside. Pray that God will use Alex in leading the Anglican church.

Christmas Carols

Blacktown Anglican Church are running "Carols in the Park" on Saturday 14 December, 7.30-9.00 pm at Francis Green Park (Blacktown Showground Precinct). They are inviting all churches in Blacktown to come along and assist in evening. They

particularly require volunteers to help with venue management, information agents, selling battery operated candles and so on. Please speak to Tony for more information.

Micah Challenge - Halving Poverty

As we approach the Christmas season, take the time to write and send a card to your Member of Parliament, asking them to stand for a generous and effective contribution to ending extreme global poverty. You can do this [online here](#).

Praying for the Persecuted

The [World Watch List](#) identifies the most persecuted countries. Please continue to pray for each country. So far 1. North Korea; 2. Saudi Arabia; 3. Afghanistan, 4. Iraq, 5. Somalia

#6 Persecuted Country: Maldives

Located in the middle of the Indian Ocean between Africa and Malaysia, south of India, it is the only country in the world which requires its citizens to be Muslim. The Islamic government sees itself as the 'protector of Islam' and its laws prohibit Maldivians from converting to other faiths. According to Sharia law, converts face the death penalty although this is not implemented in the Maldives. Every convert discovered will immediately face the most heavy pressure by family and society, often they have to leave the country. There are no church gatherings or buildings. The Wahhabi form of Islam arrived in the 1990s and radical Islam was

rarely associated with the Maldives until September 2007 when a bomb exploded in the capital. Maldives is moving towards Deobandi Islam, the religion of the Taliban, whose mission is to cleanse Islam of all other influences.

Teaching

Galatians: Jesus Alone!

5:1-15 - Summary

5:16-26

The Battle

The Sinful Nature (v19-21)

The Spirit led life (v22-26)

So What? How?

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